

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 16 as follows:

Ag-P binary alloys exhibit ~~approximately~~ approximately equivalent sulfurization resistance or corrosion resistance to halogen elements to those of Ag. Whereas, it has been confirmed through experiments that addition of the (a) group metallic element and/or (b) group metallic element improves the corrosion resistance to exceed that of Ag.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 5 as follows:

As seen in Table 2, where the measuring wavelength was 700 nm very little difference was observed in variation ratio in reflectance of measured samples, but when the measuring wavelength was 400 nm, reflectance dropped in Comparative Examples 1-1 to 1-3. By contrast, there was nearly no decrease in reflectance in ~~Example Examples~~ 1-1 to 1-14, and it can be understood that the products of the invention excel in heat resistance.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 3 as follows:

As seen in Table [[2]] 3, where the measuring wavelength was 700 nm, very little difference was observed in variation ratio in reflectance of measured samples, but when the measuring wavelength was 400 nm, decrease in reflectance of those thin films of Examples 1-1 to 1-14 was suppressed compared with that in the thin films of Comparative Examples 1-1 to 1-3. Thus it can be understood that the films of the invention are by far superior in heat resistance.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 18 as follows:

The examination method was as follows. Using those sputtering target materials, films were formed on glass substrate plates to a thickness of 150 nm by radiofrequency (RF) sputtering method. After measuring reflectance of the films, the films were immersed in 0.01% aqueous solution of sodium sulfide (Na₂S) for an hour and thereafter their reflectance was measured once again. The variation ratio in reflectance of the thin

films before and after the immersion was calculated according to the following ~~equasion~~
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